## **Grant Opportunities for Nonprofits that Serve Women & Girls of Color**

(New competitive grants funded by 2016 Laws of Minnesota, Chapter 189)

Purpose of Grants	State Agency in Charge	Eligible Grant Recipients	Available Funding
Capacity building for nonprofit organizations.	DEED	Nonprofits that provide or seek to provide workforce and economic development services.	\$320K in FY17 <sup>1</sup> and \$1M in ea. succeeding year
Construction or expansion of grocery stores and small food retailers to increase access to affordable, nutritious, culturally appropriate food for underserved communities in lowand moderate-income areas.	Dept. of Agriculture	See future Dept. of Ag. RFP	\$250,000 in FY17
Increase the number of child care providers in rural Minnesota. Priority to communities with a shortage of child care providers.	DEED	Grants go to local governments in Greater Minnesota*, but those governments could in turn give grants to private child care providers. *Excludes the counties of Anoka, Carver, Dakota, Hennepin, Ramsey, Scott, and Washington, except the cities of Northfield, Hanover, Rockford, and New Prague are eligible.	\$500,000 in FY17
Increase the supply of workforce and affordable housing throughout Minnesota.	Housing & Finance Agency	See future Housing Finance Agency RFP.	\$750,000 in FY17.
Services to Somali youth.	DEED	\$1M must go to Youthprise. If possible, 50% of the funds must be used in Greater Minnesota.	\$2M in FY17
"Landlord Guarantee Fund" pilot program to reduce landlord financial risks for renting to families or persons younger than 22 who are homeless or at risk of homelessness.	Housing Finance Agency	Priority to applicants with matching funds from a local unit of government.	\$250,000 in FY17

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> FY17, or Fiscal Year 2017, is from July 1, 2016, through June 30, 2017.

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Support services* to low-income communities, young adults from families with a history of intergenerational poverty, and communities of color.  * Support services include job readiness and job training, internships, job assistance to fathers, financial literacy, and academic and behavioral interventions.	DEED	Organizations that provide these types of services.	\$2M in FY17 and \$1.5M in each succeeding year
Improve postsecondary attendance, completion, and retention for historically underrepresented college students, and help them get well-paid jobs. Includes academic & nonacademic counseling, mentoring, tutoring, career exploration, internships, job placement services, college orientation, financial aid counseling, and instruction in math and language arts.	State Office of Higher Education	State colleges and universities and private organizations.	\$500K in FY17
High-wage, high-demand, nontraditional job training & placement for women of color. Grants may also be for approved job training or apprenticeship programs for girls of color or for support services for women in nontraditional jobs—services such as family caregiving, financial assistance for childcare, transportation, and safe and stable housing.	DEED	Community-based organizations experienced in serving women, employers, business and trade associations, labor unions and employee organizations, registered apprenticeship programs, secondary and postsecondary education institutions, and workforce and economic development agencies. Priority to programs that assist women of color in entering high-wage, high-demand, nontraditional occupations (e.g., the skilled trades) and STEM occupations.	\$1.5M in FY17 and \$1M in each succeeding year

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Youth at Work program. Workforce development for economically disadvantaged or at-risk youth, ages 14-24. ("At-risk" includes young people who are pregnant or parents, and young people with limited English proficiency.)	DEED	Local governments, nonprofits, community action agencies, or public school districts. Priority is given to programs that serve youth from communities of color or youth with disabilities.	\$1M in FY17 and \$1M in each succeeding year
Relieve economic disparities in the Southeast Asian community.	DEED	Organizations that are providing job recruitment, workforce development, job creation, assistance to smaller organizations to increase capacity, and outreach for the SE Asian community.	\$2M in FY17 and \$1M in each succeeding year
Additional funding for existing Pathways to Prosperity grant program. Workforce development (basic skills education and career-specific training in high-demand occupations) for individuals who lack basic educational and occupational skills. Includes educational and experiential opportunities for teens and young adults in the construction industry.	DEED	Eligible applicants include community-based organizations, post-secondary educational institutions, adult basic education programs, workforce development organizations, employers, employer associations, and labor unions. This is an existing program. See this website for a glance at past grantees <a href="http://mn.gov/deed/programs-services/pathways-prosperity/grants/index.jsp">http://mn.gov/deed/programs-services/pathways-prosperity/grants/index.jsp</a> .	\$1M in FY17 and \$1M in each succeeding year
Navigating and advising support for Adult Basic Education (ABE) students. Programs must help ABE students explore careers, plan for postsecondary education, develop time management and study skills, resolve personal issues related to mental health, domestic abuse, chemical abuse, homelessness, and other issues.	Dept. of Education	Program capacity, need, and geographic balance around the state will be considered in awarding grants. Priority to ABE programs already providing navigating and advising support services.	\$100,000 in FY17

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State-funded voluntary pre-K. A school district or charter school may establish a voluntary pre-kindergarten program. Priority for funding these voluntary pre-K programs will be given to high-poverty schools and to areas with a scarcity of quality child care programs.	Individual pre-K programs	The voluntary pre-K program may contract with community-based organizations or child care centers to deliver the program.	\$18,562,000 in FY17 and \$6,843,952 in each succeeding year.